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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) A non-woven fabric structure constituted by bonding plural fiber lumps each shaped with a minor axis of 2 to 100 mm comprising short fibers in which the fiber lumps comprise at least two kinds of fibers, one of constituent fibers contains an ingredient having a melting point lower than that of other fibers, the fiber lumps are substantially bonded at portions of contact between each of the fibers with the low melting ingredient and the short fibers constituting the fiber lump are arranged along random directions in at least two surfaces of the fiber lump.

19-20. (Canceled)